"Marking for Movement"

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3 kinds of Marking for Movement (M-for-M)

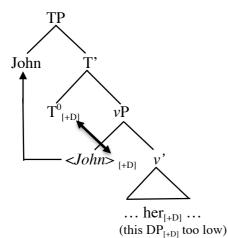
M-for-M 1: Standard feature-driven Movement

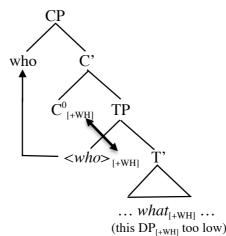
[box 1]

- Step 1. Some kind of syntactic object is built (Chomsky 1995)
- Step 2. A head X⁰ with (strong) feature [+F], probes for a Goal with matching feature [+F]
- Step 3. Features check, uninterpretable features delete
- Strong feature induces movement (Economy conditions apply, such as Attract Closest)
- 1) a. Movement to subject position:

b. WH-movement:

John saw her. (*Her John saw) Who saw what. (*What did who see?)





Many syntactic restrictions fall out of this kind of Marking for Movement:

- Subject Condition
- Standard Relativized Minimality effects (such as WH islands)
- Head Movement Constraint
- Superiority (English-style)

• Superiority (English-style):

[box 2]

- 2) Attract Closest (descriptive): If an attracting head X (a probe) carries a (strong) feature [F] and two elements Y and Z (goals) also carry [F] then the **closest** [F] element wins (closest defined by c-command) (Chomsky 1995, Richards 1997, Pesetsky 2000)
- 3) a. Who said what?

 $SUBJ_{wh} > OBJ_{wh}$

b. *What did who say?

 $*OBJ_{wh} > SUBJ_{wh}$

Superiority!

4) a. **Who** works **where**?

 $SUBJ_{wh} > LOC_{wh}$

b. *Where does who work?

 $*LOC_{wh} > SUBJ_{wh}$

Superiority!

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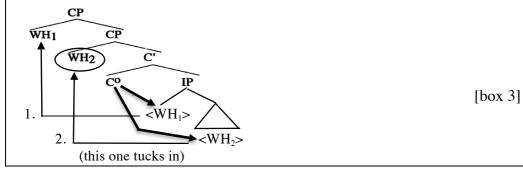
Today's talk focuses on 2 instances not well handled by M-for-M 1:

→ Problem 1. Superiority (Bulgarian-style): (exs from Rudin 1998, Bošković 1998, Grewendorf 2001)

- 5) a. **Koj kogo** e vidjal? SUBJ_{wh} > OBJ_{wh} (Bulgarian) who whom aux seen "Who saw whom?"
 - b. *Kogo koj e vidjal? *OBJ_{wh} > SUBJ_{wh} Superiority
 whom who_{NOM} aux seen
 *"Whom did who see?"

"the surface order of Bulgarian ... wh-phrases ... appears to reflect their relative order prior to wh- movement" (Krapova & Cinque 2005: 190)

- 6) a. **Koj kakvo** ti e kazal? [WH-1, WH-2, WH-3] > clitics who what you aux told "Who told you what?"
 - b. ***Koj** ti e **kakvo** kazal? *[WH-1} > clitics > [WH-2, WH-3] who you aux what told "Who told you what?"
- Assumption 0: BG WHs have a property that *requires* them to move (needed for all analyses)
- 7) Standard analyses of Bulgarian (BG) Superiority (Rudin 1988, Richards 1997, Bošković 2002)
- \rightarrow STEP 1: The higher WH₁ is attracted to SpecCP by strong [wh] on C⁰ (=Attract Closest)
- Assumptions 1-2: BG has a "special" kind of C_{wh} : ("The Probe that Keeps on Probing") (i) it allows multiple specifiers (OK) and
 - (ii) it allows non-deletion of its uninterpretable feature (to attract more WH₂) (not so OK)
- \rightarrow STEP 2: Next, C^0 enters into an Agree relation with the lower WH₂.
- Assumption 3: There is "Tucking-In" (movement to a lower Specifier)
- → STEP 3: WH₂ "tucks in" to a lower SpecCP than WH₁
- Assumption 4: Tucked-in elements, in lower Specs, *are not equidistant*. Shortest Move thus requires movement to this "closer" Specifier for WH₂
- \rightarrow STEP 4: Underlying order WH₁ > WH₂ is preserved
- 8) Schematic picture of BG Superiority obeying derivations such as (5)a)

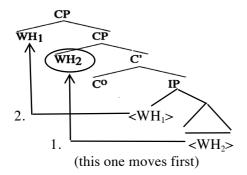


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(9) some problems with the standard analysis: (Bailyn 2017)

[box 4]

- A. Tucking-In is counter-cyclic (violates the Extension Condition)
- 10) The Extension Condition (loosely): All movements must target the top of the tree
 - B. The account needs The Probe-that-Keeps-on-Probing
 - C. Parametrization is required in three (related) aspects:
 - (i) in the lexicon (Bulgarian WH elements differ from English equivalents in having to move) $\sqrt{}$
 - (ii) in the ability/need to have multiple specifiers (BG) vs. a single specifier (Eng) *
 - (iii) in the nature of the [wh] features of C (it must be a multiple rather than single attractor) *
- Is there any way to avoid the Shortest Move/ Tucking-In approach? Maybe there is...
- → WH₂ moves first! ←
- 11) Schematic picture of BG Superiority if WH-2 moved first (no Tucking-In!)



• However, (11) is impossible in standard systems with **M-for-M 1**. Why? Closest attract! Θ

→ M-for-M 2: "Self-Marking Movement"

- 12) **BG-Superiority** results when Move is forced by a feature **on the goal(s)** [box 5]
- → WH elements with a **Blinking Blue Light** undergo "Self-marking Movement" ←
- 13) **Self-marking movement**: (Bailyn 2017, see also Bošković 2007)

$$[_{XP} \dots X \dots Y]$$
 $iF [\leftarrow the Blinking Blue Light]$

- → Problem: How do Self-motivators move if their friendly Probe is not yet in the tree?
- → Answer (here): (immediate) Sidewards Movement!

14) Sidewards Movement (Nunes 2001, 2004)

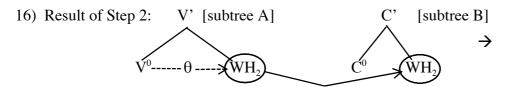
[box 6]

- (sub)trees are built in parallel in the "workspace"
- Sidewards movement allows an element in a partially built structure to dis-attach and move "sidewards" into a distinct subtree. The theory allows this freely, subject to linearization

Assumptions for M-for-M 2 (all independently needed)

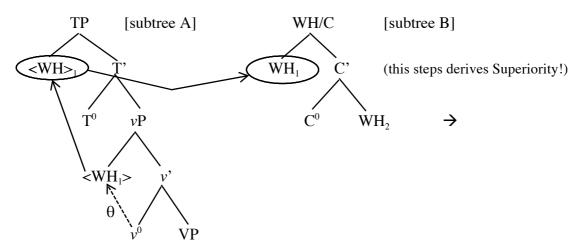
- (i) Sidewards Movement is possible (Nunes 2001, 2004; see also Heck 2016)
- (ii) Cyclicity holds (all attachment is to the top of the tree)
- (iv) Specifiers precede complements (2nd merged element precedes 1st merged element)

- 15) Derivation of Bulgarian $WH_1 > WH_2$ structure:
- STEP 1: WH₂ is merged in base position in the usual way (gets case/theta etc in Subtree A)
- STEP 2: WH₂ has a Blinking Blue Light ([*u*F]). This forces it to move sidewards and join with C⁰ [wh] (already in the Numeration/Workspace), creating Subtree B:



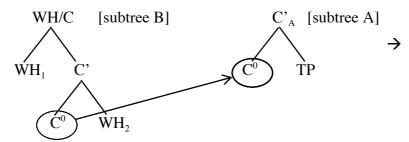
- STEP 3: WH₁ is merged into its a position in the usual way. It gets case/theta etc
- STEP 4: WH₁ has [*u*F] (the Blinking Blue Light). This forces it to move sidewards, merging with the existing WH/C cluster

17) Result of Step 4:



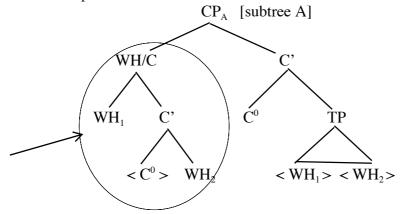
• STEP 5: C still must merge with TP. A copy of C is merged with TP in subtree A: (an instance of Sidewards movement)

18) Result of Step 5:



STEP 6: The remaining structure now merges into SpecCP in subtree A:

19) Result of Step 6:



20) Summary of M-for-M 2

- a. Self-marking movements (such as multiple movements to a single head) are driven by a (strong) feature [uF] of the moved element itself. (its Blinking Blue Light)
- c. Derivations are entirely bottom up. Self-motivated movement begins *before* the checking head (Probe) is merged (=Bošković (2007)'s "early" movement)
- d. Sidewards movement always takes places with M-for-M 2

21) Advantages of this account:

[box 7]

- a. We can derive Bulgarian Superiority in a principled fashion without Tucking-In
- b. Even in Bulgarian, C_{wh} has only one specifier (Rudin 1988, Grewendorf 2001)
- c. We can dispense with multiply active Probes
- d. Parameterization reduces to the one lexical difference (here the Blinking Blue Light).
- 3. There is only one relevant Economy Principle (Attract Closest)

Instances of Self-Motivated Movement:

[box 8]

- a. Multiple overt WH-movement
 - b. Object Shift (if definiteness driven)
 - c. $V^0 \rightarrow T^0$
 - d. other instances of head movement (all?)
 - e. Quantifier Raising?

Interim Conclusions

[box 9]

- There are two kinds of Superiority: (Eng and BG-Superiority) with different sources
 - -- Eng Superiority follows from M-for-M 1
 - --BG Superiority follows from M-for-M 2
- Tucking-In can be removed from the grammar (yay!)
- We have a general theory of multiple movement as Self-motivated, requiring immediate satisfaction and hence Sidewards Movement (this piece, but only this one, follows Bošković 2007)

→ Problem 2. Asymmetries in blocking effects

Observation: Scrambling is subject to most constraints, but is not subject to WH Islands

| • The Adjunct Condition ("Constraint on Extraction Domains"): | |
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| 23) a. *Kogo ty ušel domoj, [potomu čto Maša ljubit] ? who _{ACC} you left to.home [because Masha loves] *"Who did you go home because Masha loves?" | (*wh) |
| b. *Borisa ja ušel domoj, [potomu čto Maša ljubit] Boris _{ACC} I left to.home [because Masha loves] *"Boris I went home because Masha loves?" | (*Scr) |
| • The Complex NP Constraint: | |
| 24) a. *Kogo ty pozvonil [agentu [kotoryj ljubit]]? Whom _{ACC} you phone [spy _{DAT} [who loves]] *"Who did you phone a spy who loves?" | (*wh) |
| b. *Borisa ty pozvonil [agentu [kotoryj ljubit]]. Boris _{ACC} you phone [spy _{DAT} [who loves]] "Boris you phoned a spy who loves" | (*Scr) |
| • WH Islands: | |
| 25) a. * Kto ty videl [kogda [pod'ezžal]] ? Who _{NOM} you saw when [came]] "Who did you see when (he) was arriving?" (ex from Müller & Sternefeld 1993) | (*wh) |
| b. Ty doktor videl [kogda [pod'ezžal]]? you doctor _{NOM} saw [when [was arriving]] "Did you see when the doctor was arriving?" (ex from Müller & Sternefeld 1993, citing Zemskaya 1973 via Yadroff 1992) | (√Scr) |
| (26) a. Ty musor slyšala, [kogda uvozili]? You trash _{ACC} heard [when took away] "Did you hear them taking the trash away?" (Zemskaya 1973: 399) | (√Scr) |
| b. Ty doktor videl, [kogda pod'ezžal]? you doctor _{NOM} saw [when was arriving] "Did you see the doctor arriving?" (Zemskaya 1973: 399) | (√Scr) |
| (27) a.*Ty čto slyšala, [kogda uvozili]? You what _{ACC} heard [when took away] *"What did you hear them taking away?" | (*wh) |
| b. *Ty kto videl, [kogda pod'ezžal]? you who _{NOM} saw [when was arriving] *"Who you see when arrived?" | (*wh) |
| 28) Parallel and non-parallel behavior of WH-movement and Scrambling: | |
| wh-movementScrambling | |
| <u>wh-subj wh-obj wh-adjunct subject object adjunc</u> | <u>et</u> |
| a. Adjunct cond * * * * * * | |
| b. Complex NPC * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * | |
| c. Coord Str. Constr * * * * * * * $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}$ | |
| d. real wh-islands * ?? * $\sqrt{}$ | |

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| 29) Relativized Minimality (Rizzi 1990): A' elements block A'-movement | | | | | | | | |
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| 30) Classes of features (Rizzi 2004, Bailyn 2018) | | | | | | | | |
| i. Argumental: (only relevant for A-movement) ii. [+Q] Quantificational: Wh, Neg, measure, Focus iii. [-Q] Non-quantificational: a. [+Mod] Modifiers: evaluative, epistemic, Neg, frequentative, measure, manner, b. [+Top] Topic c. [+Σ] Scrambling (Kawamura 2004) | | | | | | | | |
| 31) Relativized Relativized Minimality (Rizzi 2004, Bailyn 2018): | | | | | | | | |
| [+Q] elements block $[+Q]$ elements; $[-Q]$ elements do not block $[+Q]$ elements | | | | | | | | |
| 32) Derivation of simple A'-relations: | | | | | | | | |
| a. wh-movement: b. A'-scrambling: | | | | | | | | |
| $\begin{array}{c c} C_{[+Q(wh)]} & [\ \dots \ XP_{[+Q(wh)]} \ \dots \] \\ & & $ | | | | | | | | |
| 33) Relativized Minimality effects (eg wh-islands): | | | | | | | | |
| a. wh-island: | | | | | | | | |
| $\begin{array}{c c} C_{[+Q(wh)]} & [& YP_{[+Q(wh)]} & [& \dots & XP_{[+Q(wh)]} & \dots &] &] \\ \hline & & & & & & \\ \hline & & & & & & \\ \hline & & & &$ | | | | | | | | |
| b. Scrambling out of wh-island: | | | | | | | | |
| $F_{[+\Sigma]}$ [$YP_{[+Q(wh)]}$ [$XP_{[+\Sigma]}$]] (no feature block) | | | | | | | | |
| (34) a. Ty $\mathbf{musor}_{[+\Sigma]}$ slyšala, $[\mathbf{kogda}_{[+wh]}$ uvozili]? ($\sqrt{[-Q]}$ Scr over [+WH] You $\operatorname{trash}_{ACC}$ heard [when took away] "Did you hear them taking the trash away?" (Zemskaya 1973: 399) | | | | | | | | |
| b. Ty doktor _[+Σ] videl, [kogda _[+wh] pod'ezžal] ? ($$ [-Q] Scr over [+WH]) you doctor _{NOM} saw [when was arriving] "Did you see the doctor arriving?" (Zemskaya 1973: 399) | | | | | | | | |
| → Crucial prediction: Scrambling of a [+Q] element out of a wh-island should fail? | | | | | | | | |
| (35) a. Ty $\mathbf{vsex}_{+Q], [+\Sigma]}$ slyšala, $[\mathbf{kogda}_{[+wh]}$ uvozili]? ($\sqrt{[+Q]}$ Scr over $[+WH]$) You everyone ACC heard [when took away] "Did you hear them taking everyone away?" | | | | | | | | |
| b. Ty $[\mathbf{každyj} \ \mathbf{doctor}]_{[+Q], [+\Sigma]}$ videl, $[\mathbf{kogda}_{[+wh]} _$ pod'ezžal]? you $[\text{every doctor}_{\text{NOM}}]$ saw $[\text{when } _$ was arriving] "Did you see every doctor arriving? $(\sqrt{[+Q] \text{ Scr over } [+WH]})$ | | | | | | | | |
| But it's fine! | | | | | | | | |

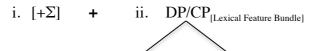
We have achieved a paradox: we need feature classes to account for the scrambling facts, but this leads us to expect quantifiers can't scramble out of WH islands. But they can.

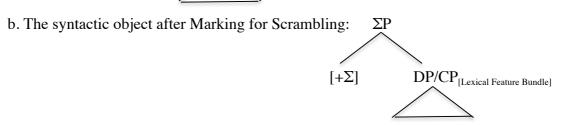
→ We need M-for-M 3: Marking for Scrambling

36) M-for M 3: Marking for Scrambling:

[box 10]

- Step 1. Some kind of syntactic object is built (e.g. DP)
- Step 2. The $[+\Sigma]$ head is merged with the DP, creating a new syntactic object (ΣP)
- The resulting ΣP behaves as a [-Q] object, escaping wh-islands, etc.
- 37) a. The syntactic objects just before Marking for Scrambling: (Bailyn 2018)





38) ??Ja **bystro** $_{[+\Sigma]}$ xoču, [čtoby ona **často** $_{[+Mod]}$ ____ exala] . I quickly want [that she often ____ went] "I want it to often go quickly." (ex from Shields 2005, my diacritics)

| 39) Summary of blocking data: (Bailyn 2018) | | | | | [box 11] | | |
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| potential blocker | | | | | | | |
| | [+Q] blockers | | | [-Q] blockers | | | |
| | [+WH] | [+Foc] | [+Quant] | [+Neg] | [+Mod] | $[+\Sigma]$ | |
| kind of mvt | | | | | | | |
| wh-movement | * | * | * | * | \checkmark | \checkmark | |
| Focus movement | * | * | * | * | \checkmark | $\sqrt{}$ | |
| Scrambling | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | ?? | $\sqrt{}$ | |
| Relativization | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | $\sqrt{}$ | \checkmark | \checkmark | |

Prediction: **M-for-M 2** and **M-for-M 3** should be incompatible. Overt wh-movement languages should not allow wh-scrambling or wh-topicalization. = $\sqrt{}$ for Slavic, Germanic etc

Conclusions [box 12]

• There are 3 ways elements can become marked for movement:

M-for-M 1: probing from above (with feature checking of inherent feature)

M-for-M 2: lexical marking (leads to self-motivated movement)

M-for-M 3: syntactic marking for movement (in the course of the derivation)

• There are 2 very different kind of movement constraints (absolute and relativized)

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• There's another kind of Slavic multiple WH-mvt language, apparently without Superiority

40) a. Ko koga vidi?

who_{NOM} whom_{ACC} sees

'Who sees whom?'

Appendix: Superiority is not parameterized!

b. Koga ko vidi? whom_{ACC} who_{NOM} sees 'Whom does who see? (SC)

• Languages like SC/Russian (Rudin 1988's [-MFS] languages) share other properties:

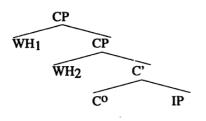
i. Parentheticals/ clitics come after all WHs ii. multiple WH extraction possible iii. Superiority holds

b. -MFS languages: SC/Polish/Russian

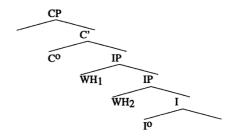
i. Parentheticals/ clitics come after 1st WH ii. multiple WH extraction not possible iii. Superiority doesn't hold [box 13]

42) Richards' (1997) WH movement types:

a. "CP-absorption" (Bulgarian, Chinese)



b. "IP-absorption" (Serbo-Croatian, Japanese)



<u>Puzzle</u>: WHY do -MFS languages (apparently) not show Superiority effects?

- 43) Accounts of SC/Russian apparent lack of Superiority in (40):
 - a. (GB): The workings of the ECP conspire to allow (40) (Rudin 1988)
 - b. Superiority is parameterized (Stepanov & Stateva 2009)
 - c. Single WH-mvt happens first, followed *later* by lower adjunction to IP (Bošković 1997) ("I leave it open here how this should be reconciled with the cycle" Bošković 1997, p. 12)
 - d. "IP absorption" is not subject to Superiority but "CP absorption" is (Richards 1997)
 - e. Superiority does not apply because the inherent [Foc] movement requirement of [wh] forces the movement, so each element is driven separately (so no competition):

"Attract/Shortest is simply irrelevant... Each *wh*-phrase in a multiple *wh*-question moves for an independent reason [Focus]" (Stepanov & Stateva 2009, following Stepanov 1998)

→ Problem: but why should multiple movement to Focus not violate superiority?

Answer: It does!

- 44) Accounting for apparent lack of Superiority in Rus/SC type languages: (cf Scott 2012)
 - SC/Russian/Polish have a Blinking **Purple** Light (= the TP-level Focus feature)
 - The Blinking **Purple** Light also triggers Sidewards Movement, deriving (local) Superiority
 - Superiority is NOT parameterized
 - Single, Eng-style WH-movement then occurs, pulling up any one of the clustered WHs
 - Apparent lack of Superiority follows from ability to move any WH to a higher position

- → If this is the right story, then Shortest Move accounts of Tucking-In cannot be correct, since multiple WHs (in Foc or CP) are *equidistant*, undermining the Tucking-In account
 - On the TP level, Superiority holds in these languages, and its effect can be uncovered (Scott's 2012 "Emergence of Superiority")

Emergence of Superiority in SC: (Bošković 1997, 2002, Stjepanović 1999)

[box 14]

- subordinate clauses:
- 45) a. Jovan i Marko ne znaju **ko** je **koga** istukao. Jovan and Marko not know who is whom beaten 'Jovan and Marko do not know who beat whom.'
 - b. *Jovan i Marko ne znaju **koga** je **ko** istukao.

 Jovan and Marko not know who is whom beaten

 *'Jovan and Marko do not know whom who beat.'
- overt topics:
- 46) a. Tom čoveku, **ko** je **šta** poklonio? that man who is what bestowed
 - b. ??Tom čoveku, **šta** je **ko** poklonio? that man what is who bestowed
- see Scott 2012 for Russian Emergence of Superiority